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Dear Ms. Innis:

Please include the following in the record of public comments on the Proposed Plan for an Amendment to the Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility (ERDF) Record of Decision (ROD) for Leachate Delisting. If there are questions, please contact me at my home telephone (509)-946-4409.

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I have reviewed DOE/RL-98-75 on this subject. I support the preferred amended remedy stated on pages 5 and 3 of the document, i.e., Alternative 2 -- delisting ERDF leachate under CERCLA to allow more cost-effective and appropriate leachate handling techniques to be implemented. I believe that delisting the ERDF leachate so that it will be nonhazardous waste will reduce costs at ERDF for transporting the leachate to the Effluent Treatment Facility while providing the required overall protection of human health and the environment. This conclusion is based on adherence to the document's section 'Description of Proposal' on page 3.

Sincerely,

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